

Fort Totten Commanding Officers' Quarters
Fort Totten State Historic Site
12 miles southwest of Devils Lake City
off Route 57
Devils Lake Vicinity
Benson County
North Dakota

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HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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STATE NORTH DAKOTA	COUNTY BENSON	TOWN OR VICINITY DEVILS LAKE VICINITY
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Fort Totten Commanding Officer's Quarters		HABS NO. ND-6
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) Fort Totten State Historic Site, 12 mi. SW. of Devils Lake City off Rt. 57.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1868-69.	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE) Construction was begun by contractors Smyth and Nash, and was completed by contractors Dale and Stead.	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) An excellent, well-preserved example of a military post of the Indian War period in the trans-Mississippi West.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) The walls are brick. The structural system consists of load-bearing brick masonry walls with wooden interior framing.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) The building measures 41' x 31'-10".		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Arched brick lintels are over the windows and the front door. The front door is flanked by four-light sidelights, and is topped with a five-light transom.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES The building was restored in the early 1970s.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE See Fort Totten State Historic Site, HABS No. ND-17, for additional report of the building.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDE LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register listing.		
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